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Promotion of Hindi Language
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any comprehensive steps to promote Hindi language in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to popularise Hindi language in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a): Yes, Madam. Government of India has taken various comprehensive steps for the promotion and development of Hindi through its various subordinate organisations/ institutions i.e. Central Hindi Directorate and Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology and Kendriya Hindi Sansthan, (an autonomous body under the Ministry of Human Resource Development).

Kendriya Hindi Sansthan focuses on Teaching in Hindi at multi-levels, research on linguistic and literature, teaching Hindi to teachers, courses designing and conducting examinations at various levels. It also has certificate/diploma courses for foreign students. Every year about 200 foreign students take admission in these courses.
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Central Hindi Directorate has been implementing various schemes for promotion of Hindi like Publication and Free Distribution of Hindi Books, preparation of dictionaries, Standardization of Devanagari Script and Hindi Spelling, Financial assistance to Voluntary Organizations for promotion of Hindi, Hindi Correspondence Courses, Awards to Hindi Writers of Non-Hindi Speaking areas, Awards in Education (Shiksha Puraskar) etc.

(b): Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology"s functions include to evolve and define scientific and technical terms in Hindi and all Indian Languages and publish glossaries, definitional dictionaries, encyclopaedia and to see that these works reach the students, teachers, scholars scientists, officers etc., also to ensure uniformity of terminology in Hindi and other languages (through State Governments/Granth academies/University cells/Glossary clubs etc.).

In addition, Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore has a scheme "Bharatavani", under which all knowledge texts of all languages including Hindi are digitized and uploaded on the Bharatavani Portal.

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